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Applicant(s): Weadock et al.

Examiner: Prebilic, P.

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For: TUBULAR EXPANDED  
POLYTETRAFLUORO-  
ETHYLENE IMPLANTABLE  
PROSTHESES

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on May 11, 2000, a reply to which is due  
August 11, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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**IN THE CLAIMS:**

✓ In Claim 7, line 3, please delete "collagen, including".

✓ In Claim 15, line 2 please delete "collagen, including".

**REMARKS**

The application has been amended. Claims 7 and 14 have been amended.

Reconsideration is respectfully requested. Initially, the Examiner reminds applicant of its